What is a quarantine declaration?

From 1 June 2021, travellers arriving in the Netherlands from a very high-risk area are required to quarantine upon arrival. The Minister of Health, Welfare and Sport determines the areas to which testing and quarantining requirements apply. All information is available and published on www.government.nl/mandatoryquarantine.

All travellers arriving in the Netherlands from a very high-risk area must carry a quarantine declaration with them. There are two possibilities:

1. Complete the form online on quarantinedeclaration.government.nl and receive the confirmation of the quarantine declaration on your mobile device.

2. Print and complete the form on government.nl/mandatoryquarantine and carry the quarantine declaration with you.

In this declaration, travellers declare either that they will quarantine upon arrival in the Netherlands or that they fall under an exemption category.

Quarantine declaration check on boarding

Travellers may not board the aircraft or ferry without a completed quarantine declaration. Passengers are responsible for having a quarantine declaration with them.

The airline will check if travellers have a completed quarantine declaration with them. The initials, name and date of birth will be checked against the information in travellers’ passport/boarding pass.

When travellers declare that they are exempted from the quarantine requirement, the airline must check if they have the supporting document with them. The airline does not need to check the contents of the supporting document. The airline should NOT collect supporting documents from travellers.

There are three exemption categories* for which no supporting document is required:

- necessary family visits.
- return to the Netherlands after a stay of less than 12 hours in a very high-risk area, or a stay in the Netherlands of less than 12 hours. Your supporting document is your passenger ticket.
- informal care or co-parenting.

* The grounds for exemption and the corresponding supporting documents required, see www.government.nl/mandatoryquarantine.
Collection of paper quarantine declarations

Cabin crew collect the paper quarantine declarations before the travellers leave the aircraft or ferry, even from travellers who have declared they are exempted. The quarantine declarations must be kept in a sealed envelope.

A member of cabin crew notes the following information on the envelope:
- Departure date
- Departure airport
- Flight number
- Arrival date
- Arrival airport

The airline may use its own envelope for the collected declarations. However, to facilitate the process, sets have been prepared comprising 20 preprinted envelopes and information leaflets for travelers. These sets can be ordered from gsp@minvws.nl, noting the airline’s name, the number of sets required and a delivery address in the Netherlands.

Submitting the declarations to the safety region

Upon arrival in the Netherlands, the airline submits the sealed envelope to the safety region. A contact person for the safety region will be waiting at the arrival gate to collect it. This contact person can be recognized by his/her fluorescent vest. If for some reason the contact person is not there, please ask the airport to contact the safety region.

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